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ANNOUNCEMENT OF INTENT TO FILL A VACANT EXEMPT POSITION

JOB TITLE: MH Social Worker II (3 positions)

NUMBER: 10-13

JOB CODE: W2000

POSITION #: 8805382
8805409
8805442

SALARY RANGE: (70) \$33,086.40 - \$50,119.20 (Annually) **DATE:** 9/27/2010

JOB LOCATION: Searcy Hospital, Mt. Vernon, AL

QUALIFICATIONS: Graduation from a four-year college or university approved or accredited by the Council on Social Work Education with a Masters degree in Social Work.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS: Possession of or eligibility for licensure as a graduate social worker as issued by the Alabama Board of Social Work Examiners.

KIND OF WORK: This is a professional social work position which provides social services to a caseload of clients in a mental health facility. Responsibilities include interviewing clients, families, and agencies to gather information and compose documents such as psychosocial assessments/updates, progress notes, correspondence, social work portion of Aftercare Plans, etc. Provision of services includes direct client treatment such as crisis intervention, group/family/individual therapy, on-going contact with clients and families, and arranging post-hospitalization plans to include coordinating services/needs with client, agencies, family, etc. Additionally, job duties include participating as a member of the interdisciplinary treatment team, assisting in the development and implementation of client treatment plans, participating with the client in scheduled meetings with various agencies (e.g., mental health centers, nursing homes, etc.), conversing/corresponding on an ongoing basis with staff, clients' families, other departments and outside agencies, especially mental health centers, regarding services needed for the client and/or family, etc.

Employee's work is performed under the general supervision of a social work/administrative supervisor. Employee's work is reviewed for conformance to accepted standards and programmatic effectiveness.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES: Knowledge of social work principles and practices to include family dynamics, development models, individual and group processes, cultural influencing factors, psycho-social development and social work roles. Ability to effectively communicate verbally and in writing; ability to comprehend and develop social work documents such as social histories, client data, etc.; ability to conduct and document psychosocial/clinical assessments; ability to exercise good judgment in rendering decisions. Knowledge of clinical interventions such as individual, group and family therapy, crisis intervention and behavior management techniques. Knowledge of mental and psychological disorders; knowledge of psychotropic medications. Knowledge of crisis intervention techniques. Knowledge of physical disabilities to include age of onset, course, prognosis, etiology and levels of functioning.

METHOD OF SELECTION: Applicants will be rated on the basis of an evaluation of their education, training, and experience, and should provide adequate work history identifying experiences related to the duties and minimum qualifications as above mentioned. All relevant information is subject to verification. Drug Screening Required. Security clearances will be conducted on prospective applicants being given serious consideration for employment and whose job requires direct contact with clients.

HOW TO APPLY: Use an official Application for Professional Employment (Exempt Classification) which may be obtained from this office. Applications may also be obtained online at www.mh.alabama.gov. Applications should be returned to **SEARCY HOSPITAL, OFFICE OF HUMAN RESOURCES, P.O. BOX 1090, MT. VERNON, AL 36560** by **UNTIL FILLED** in order to be considered for this position.

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